FISCAL NOTE

HB 1157 - SB 1792

April 3, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires persons convicted of vehicular homicide or aggravated vehicular homicide to serve 85% of their sentences. The bill also increases the taxes imposed on a gallon of spirits from \$4.00 to \$4.70 to fund the increased costs of incarceration.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$3,710,800/Incarceration* Increase State Revenues - \$1,874,100 Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$749,500

The estimate assumes six convictions for aggravated vehicular homicide and 41 convictions for vehicular homicide will have sentences elevated from 30% to be served to 85% to be served. The estimate also provides amount of increase in the spirits taxes proposed by the bill.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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